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METHODS OF TREATING A CONDITION BY STIMULATION OR INHIBITION OF For:

EPITHELIAL CELL GROWTH USING KERATINOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.129

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Rule 129 submission responds to the Office Action of March 15, 2000, and the Advisory Action of October 10, 2000. A Petition for Extension of Time with the requisite fee is attached. Applicants also attach the fee under Rule 1.17(r). Applicants do not believe that any further fees are owed. If this is not the case, Counsel for applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No.08-1641. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 46, 47, 48, 56, and 120 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

38. (Twice Amended) A method of stimulating epithelial cells comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an epithelial cell stimulating amount of a glycosylated or unglycosylated keratinocyte growth factor (KGF) polypeptide, wherein said polypeptide 00000013 08455975

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